NEW MARKET NEWS

March/April 2009

Dates to remember:

- Town Council meeting: March 11 & April 8 @ 7:00 at Town Hall
- P&Z meeting: March 5 & April 2 @ 7:00 at Town Hall
- HDC/ARC meeting: March 10 & April 7 @ 7:30 at Town Hall
- Community Pot Luck Dinner: March 19 & April 16
- NMES 5K & 1K "On the Road for Fitness" — April 4
- 1st Annual Easter Egg
 Hunt April 4th
- NMUMC Multi-family Yard Sale — April 4th
- Special Voter Registration Day — April 6—9:00 am to 8:00 pm
- Sidewalk/Yard Sale Day April 18th
- Ladies Day Out April
 25th



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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

I wanted to thank everyone who has attended the Community Pot Luck Dinners. The weather was not the best on both occasions. I appreciate the effort of all who braved the cold and elements. I know some of you have expressed a desire to attend, but it is too early for those who work. Similarly, making the time later doesn't work for those with children. For this reason, we are contemplating holding the dinners in the Community Park pavilions starting in spring. This will allow all you with children to meet and establish friendships with your fellow town residents with children. It is our vision to bring all corners of our little town together.

We will start working on the budget in March. This will be a challenging year. Our Income Tax revenue will likely be down \$38k. This is due to the economy. However, we just completed our settlement payments to Intercoastal Development Corp. who sued us for annexing Adventure Park. We paid approximately \$125k over the last year. The Amusement Tax we will now begin collecting will help fill the gap. On the spending side we will run over on engi-

neering by about \$7k. This is attributable to unanticipated drainage problems along South Alley and Federal St. We will also likely run over on planning expenses. This is due to the additional zoning workshops we are holding in order that all may participate directly in the process. On the positive side of spending, it looks as if we will be about \$10k under budget on Waste Collection and a few thousand dollars under budget on Legal Fees and other administrative expenses. We have over \$500k in the bank so I believe we can weather the storm. Luckily, we had a plan to grow our tax base so we could keep your taxes down. Who would have ever predicted that the economy would get this bad?

Lastly, to improve pedestrian safety along Main St. The Town has requested and SHA approved in the street crosswalk signs for NMES crosswalk and the Town Hall crosswalk. We hope this will heighten motorist awareness of pedestrians on Main St.

Thanks,

Winslow

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IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

"There will be no parking on fire company property during construction of our new hall. We need to keep off of the gravel area due to heavy equipment working in that area. New Market Volunteer Fire Company needs all the parking for events and staff. Any vehicles parked without permission from the President or Chief will be towed at owners expense. We thank you in advance for your cooperation." — Shirley King, President, New Market Volunteer Fire Company

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TOWN COUNCIL

December

- 1. 1.22 water taps were approved for Dublin Roaster.
- 2. 1st Amendment to Orchard DRRA was introduced.
- Town Hall office & bathroom to be painted by volunteers versus contractor.
- 4. Locations for the cluster mailboxes discussed.
- 5. New Market Land Development Ordinance was introduced.

January

- A public hearing was held on January 5 to hear public comment on the New Market Land Development Ordinance. A set of workshops will be held Jan-March to discuss each section in greater detail.
- 2. NMES 5K&1K were approved.
- South Alley Drainage issues was discussed. Further information is required before making decision.

PLANNING & ZONING

December

- Changed meeting date from January 1 to January 8, 2009.
- 2. P&Z made recommendation to Town Council to approve the request for and amendment to the DRRA for The Orchard.
- Bill Schalon will look into grants for the Heart of the Civil War Heritage area.

January

- A public hearing was held to discuss amendment to the New Market Comprehensive Plan and the community growth area.
- Dennis Kimble suggested that the town come up with antislot ordinance.
- 3. The Christmas tree for the community park will be installed about 25 feet from the curb.

HDC/ARC

December

- 1. Approval for additional shutters on Lot #62 –The Orchard.
- 2. Requested a copy of final zoning ordinance for HDC & MHT review

January

- A discussion was held in response to letter concerning the crosswalk at the NMES. Suggestions were given to liaison Jake Romanell to discuss with Town Council.
- 2. A discussion with Cory Kegerise of the Maryland Historical Trust was held on the proposed New Market Land Development Ordinance.

NMES — "On the Road For Fitness 2009" 5K Run/Walk

The New Market Elementary School fifth annual "On the Road for Fitness" 5K Run/Walk will take place on Saturday, April 4th, 2009 from 9am - 11am. Last vear's 5K run was a huge success! Over 300 runners, walkers, and fans contributed to a day of exercise, family fun and community support. In order for this event to take place there are a couple of lane/road closures. With the help of the state troopers, the westbound lane of Main Street will be closed from the elementary school to Royal Oak Drive, from approximately 8:45am to 9:15 am. Royal Oak Drive will then be closed for the duration of the run/walk. This should take approximately 45 min. We thank you in advance for your cooperation and encouragement with this event.



If you are interested in supporting this year's goal of a community exercise track, please go to fcps.org click on schools and then New Market Elementary for the school website for the

registration forms. You can also visit townof-newmarket.org for a link to the registration form. We are also looking for sponsors for this event. For more information, call Cindy Alvarado 240.236.1300. We hope to see you all at the 5K run/walk this year!!

ATTENTION SENIOR CITIZENS



April 15th is almost upon us. Tax return will be prepared FREE by Certified AARP Tax Counselors, every Tuesday at the United Methodist Church Education Building (faces Route 874) until April 14th, from 1:00 p.m until 4:00 p.m. For more information and to schedule and appointment, please call the United Methodist Church at 301.865.3530.

History of School House is Topic on March 30th

The New Market "Young At Heart" Senior Citizens meet the last Monday of each month at the "School House" (formerly the Armstrong Antiques Shop) on Federal Street. The March 30 meeting program that is planned will be a history of the School House by Reverend Mason of the Simpson Church and New Market resident, June Snowden. They both attended the school and will share their recollections. Everyone is invited to attend. Please bring a covered dish and join them to sample their "yummy" home cooking. Fried chicken and drinks will be provided. They hope to see you on March 30th. Please RSVP to Joan Price at 301.865.5112.

Community Pot Luck Dinner

Several shop owners, residents and board members recently put their heads together and decided we should try something new a community Pot Luck Dinner! Our goal is to enhance New Market's "community" by getting together over some good food and conversation. We all feel a need to know one other and share ideas in order to make a more tightly knit town. There will be an opportunity for anyone to make announcements about what is going on with their home, business, committee, neighborhood or board. So please bring your favorite dish and help us start a *new* New Market tradition.

Where: Grange Hall (South Alley)
Thereafter: Every 3rd Thursday of the month.

All are welcome. Hope to see you there!

HELPING HANDS VETERINARY CLINIC CELEBRATES HEARTWORM MONTH IN MARCH



Heartworms are a blood parasite transmitted by mosquitoes. When an infected mosquito bites your dog, it injects a microscopic worm into the tissues. Over the course of 6 months, the young worms travel through the tissues into the bloodstream, take up residence in the heart, and start producing eggs. Most frequently, the heartworms block blood flow through the heart. This can cause signs of congestive heart failure, blood clots in the lungs, or liver and kidney failure. Many dogs show no symptoms at all, although some might have a frequent cough, a distended belly, or become lethargic. Some are simply found dead by their owners. It is a serious threat to all dogs (indoor/outdoor) in Maryland. The American Heartworm Society (www.heartwormsociety.org) classifies Maryland as an *endemic* area, meaning the disease

is naturally occurring in this area. Many dogs in this area are on heartworm preventative, which keep the disease from becoming *epidemic*.

In honor of Heartworm Awareness Month in March, Helping Hands Veterinary Clinic is offering a special promotion. We will take \$3.00 off the cost of a heartworm test, and 10% off the cost of a year's supply of Heartgard, Interceptor, or Revolution. Please call the office at 301-829-1229 for details. Visit us at www.helpinghandsvetclinic.com to find out more about us. We are located at 13653 Unionville Road, Mt. Airy, MD.

New Market Election 2009

Certificates of Nomination for Mayor and Town Council

Due: Monday April 13, 2009
At
39 W. Main Street
PO Box 27
New Market, MD 21774
Forms are available @ Town Hall

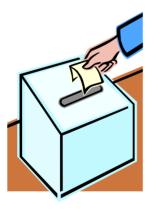
Town of New Market Voter Registration For Town Election

Register at Town Hall**
39 W. Main Street
New Market, MD
Monday – Thursday 8:00 A.M – 2:30 P.M., Friday 10:00-2:30P.M.

LAST DAY TO REGISTER BEFORE ELECTION

Monday, April 6, 2009 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

**If you are registered to vote in Frederick County you are automatically registered in the Town of New Market. You must reside within the town limits of New Market. Any questions, please call 301.865.5544.



Primary Election (If Necessary):

Monday, April 27, 2009 The Grange, 7th & South Alley New Market, MD 21774 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

General Election

Tuesday, May 12, 2009 The Grange, 7th & South Alley New Market, MD 21774 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Please check the web site & emails for updates on the election.

Board of Supervisor of Elections: Brian Candida (Chairman), Ruth Scurto, and Gary Sitek



Check out these events going in New Market!!

April 4 — NMES 5K (9:00 am) & 1K (10 am); Easter Egg Hunt, Church Yard Sale, Spring Stroll @ the Shops of New Market

April 18 — Sidewalk/Yard Sale Day — Shops & residents

April 25 — Ladies Day Out — Many of the shops are hosting guests from the Linganore Wellness Center as well as offering specials and door prizes for female patrons

Check newsletter & website for more information and updates on upcoming events.



1st Annual New Market Easter Egg Hunt

Sponsored by New Market United Methodist Church

When: Saturday, April 4th from 10:00am to 11:00am

Where: New Market Recreational park (check park name)

Meeting @: New Market United Methodist Church "Schoolhouse" located at 874 & North Alley, New Market, MD 21774

Ages: 11 and under

Parking: Free parking provided at the parking lot in front of the New Market United Methodist Church.

The Event: Will gather at the United Methodist "Schoolhouse" where kids & parents will walk to the park. Children will be separated

by age groups & Let the Fun Begin!!!!

After the Egg Hunt, families are invited back to the Schoolhouse where snacks will be provided, you can sign up for the Easter Basket Drawing and kids can get their picture taken with the **Easter Bunny**. Parents, bring your cameras!

Visit Our Website at: www.gbgm-umc.org/newmarket/ or contact the church office at 301-865-3530

Church Yard Sale

Multi-Family Yard Sale, Gift Baskets, Bake Sale, Refreshments

When: Saturday, May 2nd from 8:00am to 3:00pm

Where: New Market United Methodist Church parking lot

Reservations: To reserve a space, call the Church office for details at 301-865-3530

Visit Our Website at: www.gbgm-umc.org/newmarket/ or contact the church office at 301-865-3530



Green Building Lessons From Seawright Homes

"The Payback From Being Green in Energy Efficiency"

All who study Green Building come to appreciate that there are costs and benefits of varying degree associated with each building practice broadly recognized as "green". Typically, though, the benefits that promote enhancement of our environment or promote health are more challenging to quantify. For example, what dollar value should be attributable to installing HEPA furnace filters or applying low VOC paints or caulks, all of which considerably help enhance indoor air quality and thereby decrease certain illnesses and promote improved health and longevity? While all can agree that there is a value to these benefits that is greater than "zero", at that point agreement ends.

That same challenge of quantifying costs and benefits from energy efficiency improvements to a home, though, is not nearly so difficult, as the measure of benefits is reflected in the value of reduced utility bills for the energy source being conserved. And, the Wall Street Journal, in a February 9, 2009 article entitled, "How To Go Green In Hard Times" did an exceptional service in outlining the cost and payback period for nine (actually 10) energy-saving changes that recoup their cost quickly. So, with thanks and attribution to the Wall Street Journal, here is a summarized version of energy-saving improvements that stand to benefit you with a quick recovery of and high return on a "green investment" in energy efficiency. For ease of prioritizing, the improvements are listed in order of payback, beginning with the most rapid.

- I. Install low-flow shower heads and add faucet aerators. Cost: Low-Flow shower heads start around \$30 and faucet aerators run \$2 each. Both improvements reduce the amount you spend on water and on electricity or gas to heat the water. Payback: Several months, depending on rate charged for fuel source that heats your water.
- Change out all light bulbs to Compact Fluorescent Lights (CFL). Cost: About \$3 per bulb. Payback: 3 to 7 ½ months for a 60 watt bulb that is on 4 hours a day.
- 3. Add exterior lighting motion sensors.

 Cost: About \$50-\$60. Payback: 5-11 months, assuming the light would have been on 12 hours all night and is now off all the time except when triggered by motion.

- 4. Install programmable thermostats.
 Cost: \$50 to \$150. Payback: About one year, assuming the thermostat controls both heating and cooling and you program the device to setback temperatures 4-5 degrees while everyone is sleeping or when no one typically is at home.
- 5. Change the air filter in your air conditioning system at least 3 times per year. When the air filter in your air conditioning system become dirty and clogged, the system has to work harder to push air through the filter, using up more energy. Cost: About \$10 per filter times three changes per year. Payback: Less than a year for warm summers where cooling is provided by a central system. If cooling is by window units, window unit filters simply can be wiped clean, cost the owner nothing and save roughly \$20 per year.
- 3. Add window treatments to uncovered windows. Cost: Inexpensive pulldown blinds that provide summer shade can run \$5-\$10. Curtains that provide a greater degree of insulation can run from \$30-\$150. Payback: From just under a year to almost 4 years depending on such variables as window exposure and utility costs.
 - Seal for air leaks around windows, doors, through ductwork and from electrical outlets located on exterior walls. Cost: Weatherstripping for exterior doors runs \$20 per door. Caulking gaps at windows can cost \$5 -\$10 per window, depending on whether the installation labor is by someone else. If the windows to be sealed are 50's style metal casements, effective results are achieved by temporarily caulking such windows closed during the winter months using DAP "Seal and Peel" caulk, applied to all exterior joints. Outlet sealers for electrical outlets located on exterior walls cost less than \$10 for a pack of six. Sealing ducts requires the services of someone knowledgeable and conscientious about correct application of the proper mastic and duct sealant tape (not simply the generic brand of duct tape). Such duct sealing by a profes-

- sional can run from \$300 to \$1000, depending on home size. Payback: For all of the above, about 2-3 years, but there are many variables that can extend the payback period.
- 8. Substantially upgrade attic insulation to reduce the amount of heat escaping through the roof. Cost: Material costs, exclusive of labor to install, can run \$500 to \$700 for an older 2000 sf home already having some insulation. Installation costs can vary widely, but assume that labor cost to install will be the same as material cost. Payback: 3-4 years.
- 9. Install a drain-water heat recovery system on your waste water drain line. Recovery systems help warm up water for your next bath or shower by recovering heat from waste water as it travels down the drain. Heat recovery systems also are available for dishwashers and other appliances. Cost: \$500-\$700, plus around \$100 for installation. Payback: Around 5 years, assuming you heat water with gas and pay comparatively high rates. The payback from adding drain-water

heat recovery to an electrically heated water system readily can be less than 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ years.

The Wall Street Journal's tenth suggestion for an energy saving improvement, <u>leasing solar panels</u> for providing hot water, likely is not practical in the near term in Frederick County, absent a meteorological

change that noticeably increases the number of days of sunshine annually.

As is often the case, saving money requires an additional investment to achieve those savings. The virtue of the Wall Street Journal's listing of energy saving home improvements is that the listing consists of readily implemented suggestions also having the benefit of short paybacks. And, as is also characteristic of saving money, whether in initial cost or operating expenses, it is the seemingly small savings from a host of improvements that cumulatively produce larger savings deserving of the effort.

Let the green in your checkbook benefit from your insight into the very feasible steps that can be taken to save money through energy efficiency and conserve on scarce, non-renewable resources.

2nd Annual Photo Contest —New Market: The People

2nd Annual photographic competition sponsored by the Downtown New Market Partnership

Contact: David Price, 12 West Main Street, New Market, MD 21774 — gallery@12westmain.com — 301.865.1212 (gallery/home#)

Photographers are encouraged to enter their photos of people in the town of New Market in a competition sponsored by the Downtown New Market Partnership. Subject matter MUST include at least 1 human being or at least a portion of a human being and have been shot within the town limits of New Market, MD. Interiors, exteriors, posed, candids - all are acceptable provided the photo was taken in the town limits of New Market. The idea is to have photographs featuring people who live in New Market or visit New Market. This competition will be open to the public. Last year nearly \$500 in prizes were awarded.

Entries will be exhibited throughout the shops of New Market on 2 consecutive weekends in May. It's an event that amounts to a town wide art show. There will be a special photographers reception TBA. Exact details of the reception to follow. Prizes will be awarded in 2 categories Student and Adult. Student category is for entrants 17 years of age and younger. Adult category is for entrants 18 years of age and older. Details on dropping off entries can be had by emailing gallery@12westmain.com.

Submitted photos must be the original work of the photographer identified on the entry form. You may submit 1 photo per photographer. Matted exhibition ready prints only will be accepted. Submitted photos may be digital or film in origination. Prints may be chemical or digital. There will be no classification of photos this year: they may be monochrome, color or photo effects. Photos may be of any size, however, all entries must be mounted on backing, matted (white or ivory only) to a size of 11" X 14" - no larger, no smaller. Unmatted photos, colored mats and framed images will NOT be accepted.

Entry Fee is \$9 and should be made out to "Downtown New Market Partnership" or "DNP." The DNP is a registered non-profit organization

Works may be offered for sale at the photographer's discretion; however they must remain on exhibit for the duration of the show. A 25% commission will be taken by the Downtown New Market Partnership. Retail prices will be set at \$75. Individual stores will collect the money and the Downtown New Market Partnership will pay the photographer. More info on the pricing requirements can be discussed with David Price. It is the right of the photographer to NOT offer their photo for sale.

The Downtown Partnership will have the right to use any image to promote the town and/or contest in ads, posters, cards, mailings, press both before and after the event. Stores exhibiting entries will be required to be open from 11:00 to 5:00 Saturday and Sunday of both weekends of the exhibit. Winning photos will be displayed in Town Hall for 4 weeks. Any questions please contact David Price

Art Show — March 7th to the 21st

12 West Main Gallery in downtown New Market will be hosting an art show featuring SOZRA - local husband and wife artists John and Debby Sosnowsky. The pair have been designing and selling fine silver, gold and niobium jewelry for nearly 20 years. The show runs from March 7 thru 21 and will showcase their jewelry, original art and music. SOZRA music can be downloaded from iTunes and can best be described as 'portraits in sound'. New Market residents are invited to attend an opening reception on March 7 from 1:00 - 5:00 pm to meet your very talented neighbors from Union Bridge. email gallery@12westmain.com for further information.



Congratulations to Noah Price on being named a "Student of Character". Noah received the award for being a "good citizen, leading by example, and helping to keep his school clean."

Please submit any articles, photos, etc, for the next newsletter (May/June issue) by April 15th to: debtownofnewmarket@gmail.com. If you have any questions, please call me at 301.865.5544. The newsletter is published every other month.

DAYCARE: Little Joe Daycare, a licensed family child care provider has space for infants & toddlers. Call 301.865.4086 or www.littlejoedaycare.

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